



*Robinson's Pippin.*

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This excellent Apple has long been cultivated in the ROYAL GARDENS at *Kew*, where it is considered to rank amongst the best of those varieties which are capable of being preserved for the dessert through the winter months. The tree is healthy and vigorous, seldom failing to produce fruit in abundance. The blossom is small, like that of the *Nonpareil*, fruit small, oval, flattened at both extremities, resembling in form the old *Golden Pippin*, but larger. The eye is well formed, open, and sunk in a broad but very shallow cavity. The stalk generally short, slender, and tough. Skin green, rather approaching to brownish yellow when well exposed, with a large portion of russet brown, particularly round the eye. The fruit is always produced in clusters at the end of the branches, often eight or ten together. The flesh is of a greenish colour, breaking, tender, well flavoured, juicy, and sweet, when ripe, which is not earlier than in January, and it is in great perfection until March, or even later.

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